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Subject: Request for Testimony - Tenoroc Mine

Rick:

I received a call yesterday from an individual named Alan Barons. He represents a citizens group that, along with DeSoto County, is challenging the issuance of a permit for a 20,000 acre IMC mine. Mr. Baron's said that they would like to use the findings from a draft report we prepared on Tenoroc Mine as evidence in the hearing of the problems that might result from phosphate mining. Mr. Baron's said that he would like to have me serve as a witness to answer questions about the report. He wants to either send a letter or, if needed, subpoena to have me testify.

I explained to him EPA's policy about individuals testifying in 3rd party litigation, but he still wants to pursue it. According to Mike's voice mail, he is out of the office this week. I was wondering if you would call Mr. Baron's and see if you can better explain our policy and maybe talk him out of sending in a request or subpoena.

His number is 863-214-7947.

Thanks, Brad

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